

# LEARN ENGLISH WITH KT. BRITISH CULTURAL & SOCIAL ETIQUETTE. TRANSCRIPT

*Thank you very much.*

Saying "please" and "thank you" is considered good manners. It is considered rude if you don't use them.

Being punctual is important. The British consider it rude and impolite if you turn up late for an appointment. Call, even if you will be 5 minutes later than agreed.

Queuing is a unique part of British culture. Violating a queue is considered extremely impolite, so never push ahead in a line.

Having an argument in public is considered bad manners.

*Do you know how much I paid for my Ferrari?*

Talking about money is considered bad manners.

Standing too close to someone is rude. The British like a certain amount of personal space.

Tipping is not expected in the UK, but is much appreciated. You can tip if you are happy with the service.

Hugging, kissing, and touching are usually reserved for family members and very close friends.

*How old are you? How much do you earn?*

Asking personal questions about salary, relationship status, weight, or age is frowned upon.

## **VOCABULARY**

appreciate (verb) - to be happy or thankful for something.

consider (verb) - to think about something carefully.

considered (verb) - thought about or judged in a certain way.

earn (verb) - to get something as a reward for doing work or something good.

frowned (verb) - to make a face by turning your eyebrows down because you are unhappy or upset.

impolite (adjective) - not being kind or respectful to others.

personal space (noun) - the area around you where you don't want others to stand too close.

punctual (adjective) - being on time, not late.

reserved (adjective) - not showing your feelings or thoughts easily; keeping things private.

status (noun) - a person's social or professional position or standing.

tipping (noun) - giving extra money to someone for good service, like at a restaurant.

violating (verb) - disrespecting or breaking a rule or law.